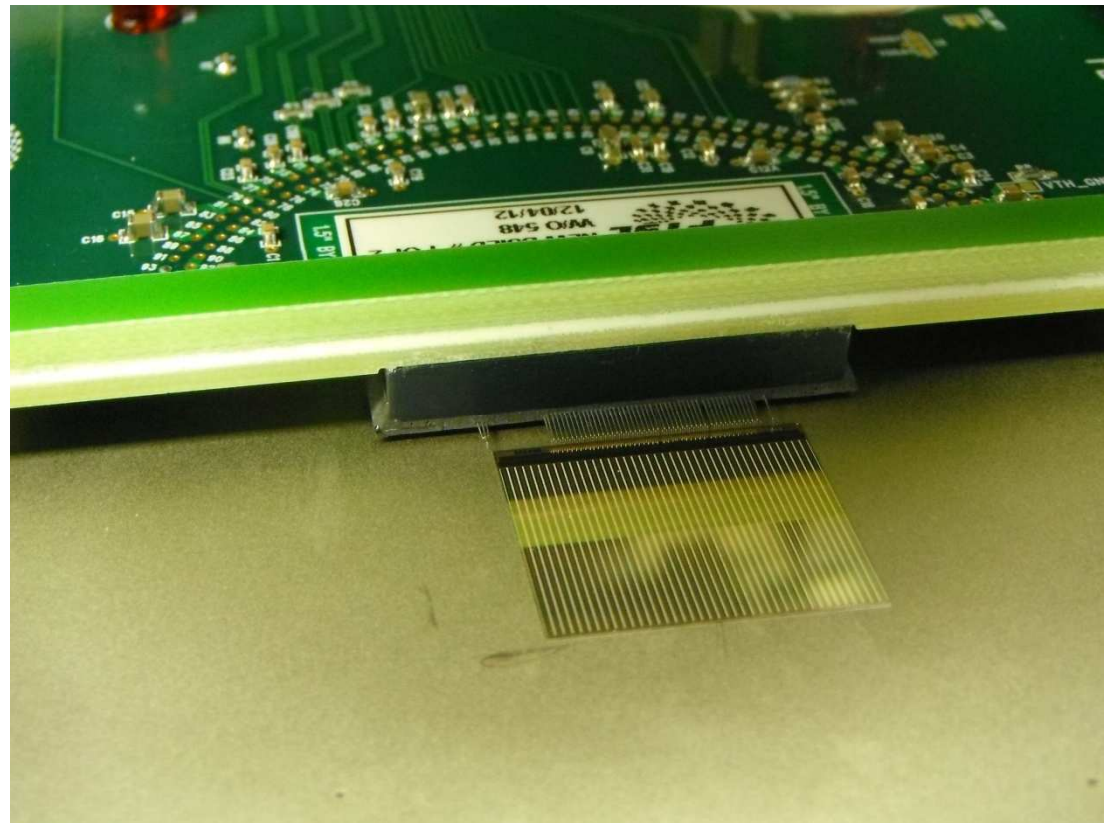




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# FE-I4 Probing at Glasgow

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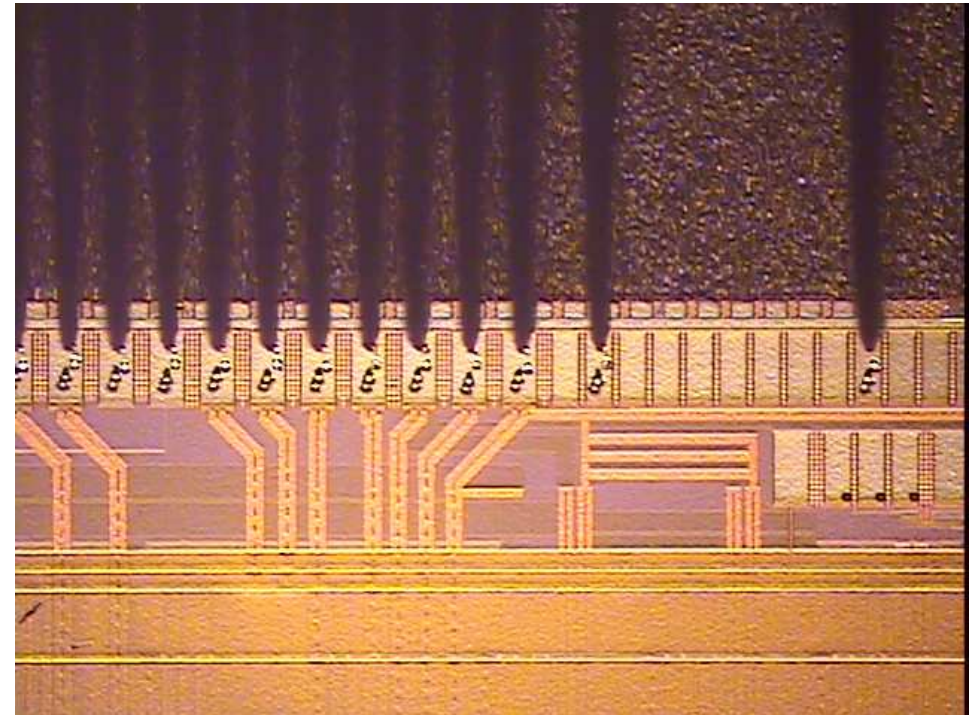


- **Wafer Probing Setup**

- Cascade S300 Probe Station & Probe Card
- USBpix & Laptop with STcontrol
- TTI dual power supply for USBpix
- Keithley 2700 & Scanner Card for Voltage Measurements
- Keithley 2410 for  $I_{REF}$  Measurement
- Second Keithley 2410 on order
- TTI PSU for  $I_{CAP}$  measurement

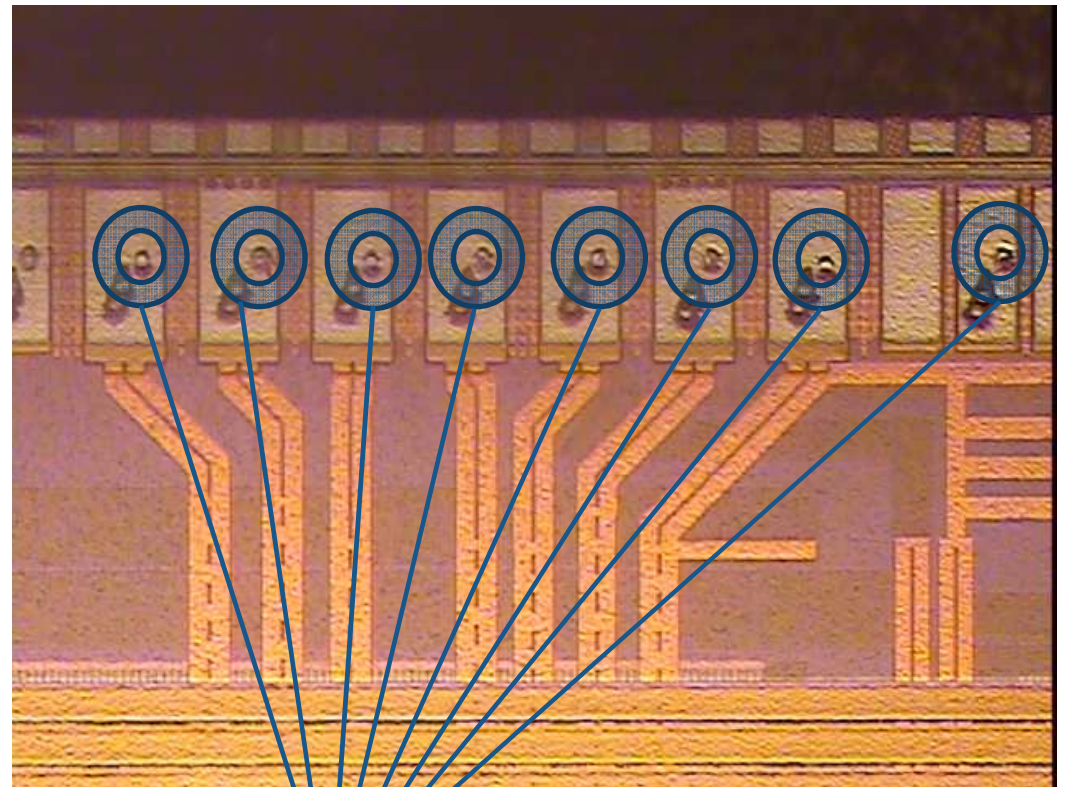


- Die probing tests with Red FE-I4 Die #14 (Wafer V6ABC1H)
- When the die was powered up with usbpix & STcontrol the digital line drew 24mA while the analogue line drew 205mA (chuck height 4900 $\mu$ m).

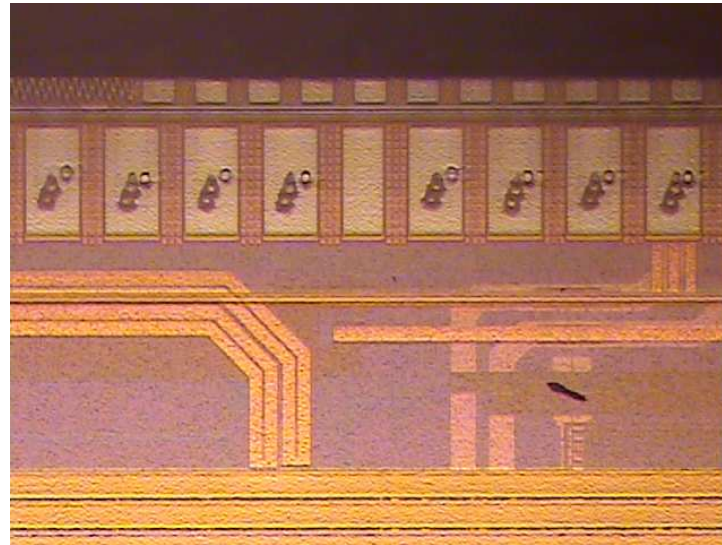
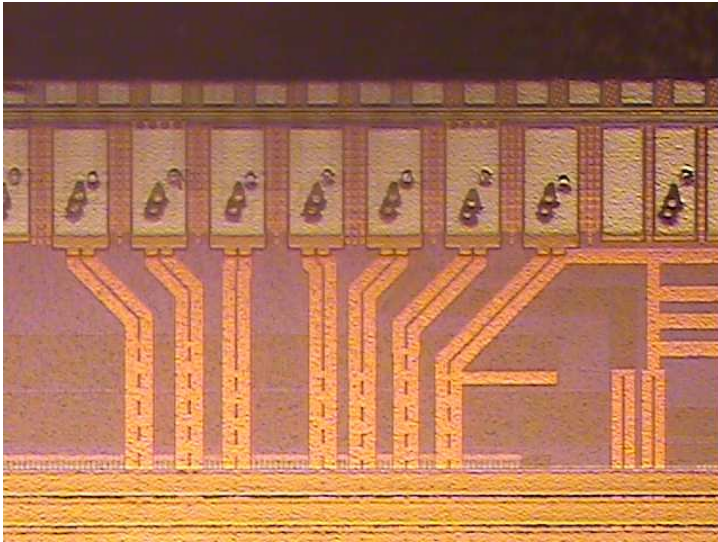




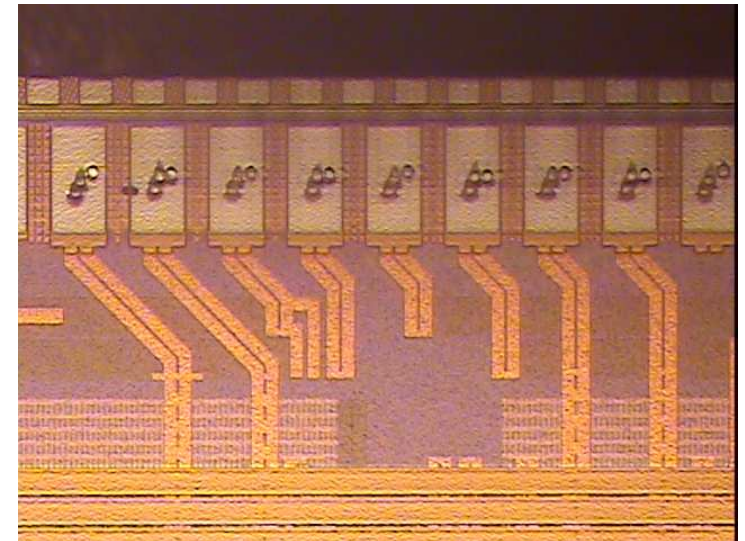
- **Probe marks – overdrive approximately 150-200 $\mu$ m.**
- **Probe marks consistent across die – good alignment between die and probe card/probe needles.**



Probe marks Glasgow 10 May 2012

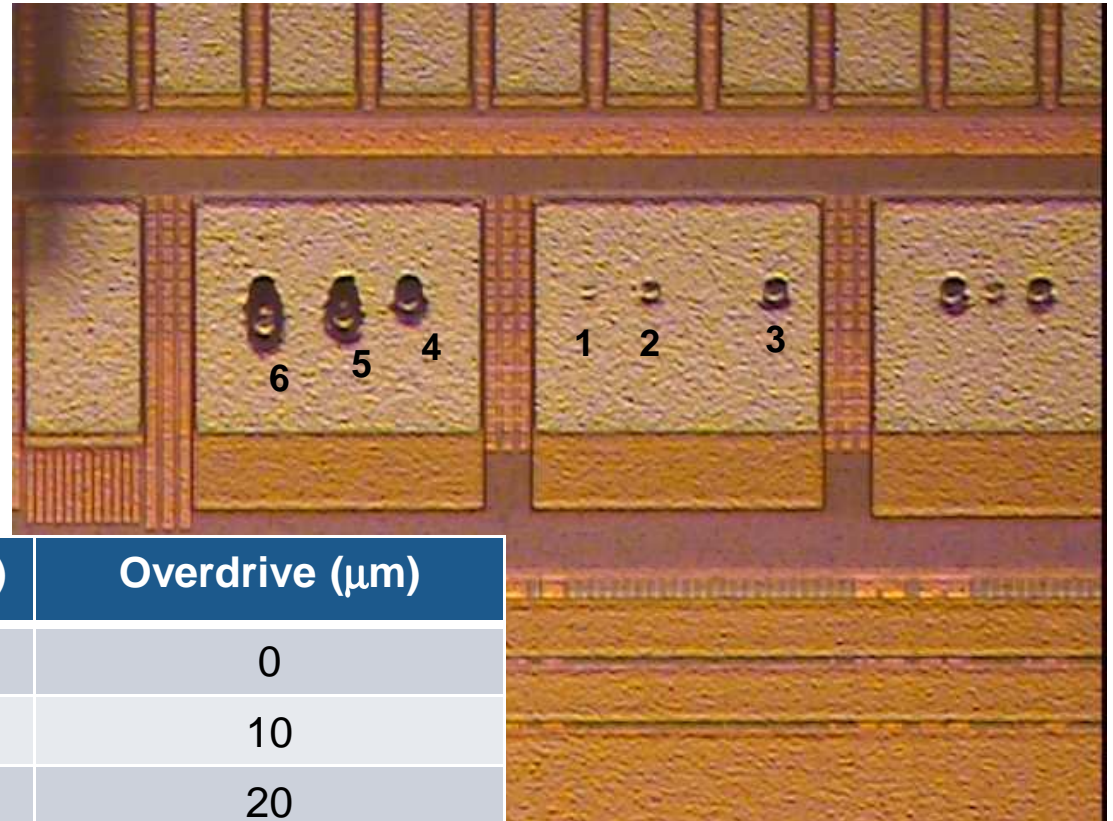


- Probe marks consistent across die.
- Good planarity between probe needles and die across chip.





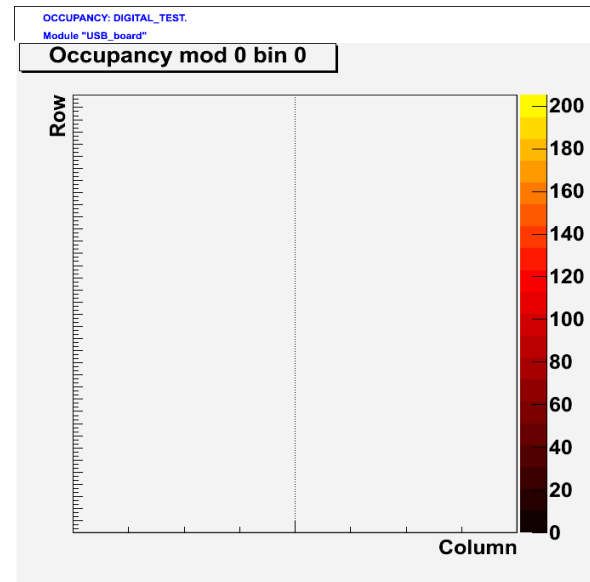
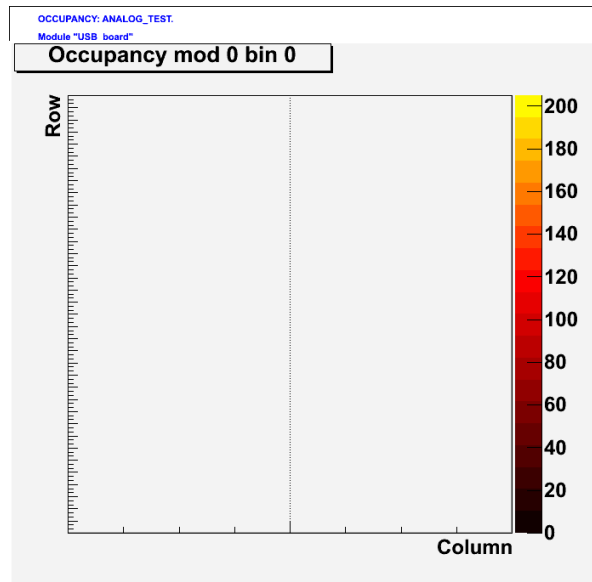
- The picture opposite shows the height gauge needle probe marks as a function of overdrive.
- Jumper added to probe card to power LEDs.
- At a predefined overdrive the height gauge needles should complete a circuit on the probe card and an LED should turn on.
- Right LED turns on after initial contact (chuck height  $\sim 4850\mu\text{m}$ ).
- Left LED turns on at chuck height of  $4870\mu\text{m}$  or  $\sim 20\mu\text{m}$  overdrive.
- Right LED remains ON for about 10-15 mins after needles retracted then turns OFF.



Probe Mark	Chuck Position ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Overdrive ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
1	4850	0
2	4860	10
3	4870	20
4	4900	50
5	4950	100
6	4970	120



- **Yellow chip 43 from wafer V6ABC1H**
- Comments from first wafer probing test at Bonn
  - High  $V_{DDA2}$  after power up (350mA); high threshold: 11,500e. In re-run high current not seen, but columns 79/80 do not work.
- Wafer Probing at Glasgow
  - Power supply currents. Digital supply was **26mA**. Analogue supply was **56mA**.
  - Rx Delay Scan give error: **USBPixController exception. Type: Delay scan could not find a reasonable delay value for board ID -1.**
  - Analogue and Digital scans gave empty plots???





- Without using STControl is there anyway of knowing if all the probes have made good electrical connections with the chip?
- What current should the analogue and digital lines draw – is this a good indication that the chip has powered up correctly?
- Which software package should we be using for FE-I4A – USBPix or STControl?
- Does the Primlist need to be changed for wafer probing?
- How to conduct  $I_{Ref}$  and  $I_{cap}$  current measurements with Keithley 2410?
- How to conduct Voltage measurements  $V_{Ref}^{Out Digital}$ ,  $V_{Ref}^{Out Analogue}$ , Band gap  $V_{Ref}^{Digital}$ , Band gap  $V_{Ref}^{Analogue}$ , PlsrDAC?
- Noise coupling to  $I_{ref}$  – need 4-channel switch?